Firka Development (1948) Department.

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G.O. No. 534

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Rural Reconstruction - Intensive work in selected firkas and centres - Inclusive in the five year plan - Particulars regarding - Papers Recorded.

SCHEMES WHICH THOUGH NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRINTED FIVE-YEAR PLAN HAVE BEEN TREATED AS POST WAR DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES.

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1. Name of the Scheme.	Intensive Rural Reconstruction, in selected firkas and centres.
2. Brief description of the Scheme.	The purpose of the scheme is to make as far as possible each firka or centre selected for intensive Rural Reconstruction work self-sufficient in the matter of food clothing and other necessities of life. It is proposed to co-ordinate various items of improvements falling under the heads Water supply, Irrigation, Communication, Education, Agricultural improvements , cattle, Sanitation, Medical Aid, Veterinary Aid, Co-operative Institutions, Production of cloth, Village Industries, etc. according to the special needs of the villages comprised in the selected areas. It has been decided to give high priority in the matter of electrification of those areas. The intention is to render possible the organisation of the villagers for a happier, more prosperous and fuller life.
3. Areas selected for application, if possible.	27 firkas and 7 centres (list enclosed).
4. Time expected to be taken for execution.	Already under execution.

Schemes which though not included in the printed Five-year Plan have been treated as post-War Development Schemes.

1. Name of the Scheme.	Village Industries (Cottage Industries)Development Scheme.
2. Brief Description of the Scheme.	In G.O.No.4591 MS. Development, dated 14-12-46 Government sanction a scheme under which 200 training and Demonstration units should be started to impart training to about -3900 students in as many as 32 items. of cottage industries. As the scheme was found to be impracticable Government have approved the recommendations of the Director of Industries and Commerce that instead of the present Demonstration and Training units, production units of cottage Industries should be started for the production by improved methods of every day requirements of the villagers and of certain special articles made with traditional or special skill. There production units will be owned and operated by co-operative societies or partnerships of the local population including craftsmen and that Govt. will help these units with equipment, raw materials and expert technical advice.

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	Smithy or carpentry will be taken up together to start with and other crafts will be taken up in course by time. The details of this new scheme are being worked out.
3.)Areas selected for application, if applicable.	25 of the selected firkas for Intensive Rural Reconstruction.
4) Time expected to be taken for execution.	Cannot be specified.
5). Estimate of cost capital recurring	1947-48, 48-49,49-50, 50-51, 51-52 .Total cost of the New Scheme yet to be worked out.
6) Extent to which the scheme will be productive.	Not possible to say at present.
7) Whether the scheme has been sanctioned.	Under investigation.
8) If not sanctioned whether the scheme may be omitted or post-poned to the next quinquennium.	NO.
9) If sanctioned date of commencement of the scheme and present stage.	Detailed plan of action awaited.
10) Whether the scheme can be brought under any of the main schemes included in the printed five year plan.	NO.

Schemes which though not included in the printed Five-year Plan have been treated as Postwar Development Schemes.

1. Name of the Scheme:

Intensive Khadi Scheme in selected firkas as part of the Intensive Rural Reconstruction Scheme.

2. Brief description of the Scheme.

Government considered the development of Khadi as an integral part of their comprehensive plan to make the villagers in the Province, as far as possible, self-sufficient economic units The intensive part of the Khadi Scheme aims at self-sufficiency in cloth in terms of Khadi in specially selected compact areas in which Khadi has already made sufficient progress under the aggis of the All India Spinners' Association . It is enforced in seven selected centres, details of which are given under paragraph 3 abelow. The immediate objective of the Scheme is to arrange for the production, in each of the seven selected centres, of sufficient Khadi to enable Government to make available, for the entire populaion of the centre, supplies of Khadi at the rate

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tate of 20 yards pe adult and 10 yeards per child per annum. For the purpose of effective working of the Scheme, the Government have taken over the assets and liabilities of the All India Spinners' Association in the centre. The Scheme is now being executed under the instructions and guidance of the A.I.S.A by theVillage and Centre Khadi Committees, constituted for the purpose. The Scheme will be extended gradually to other areas after watching the results and gaining some experience.

The Government have appointed the local branch Secretaries of the All India Spinners' Association to be the Honorary Regional Khadi Officers in their respective regions. They are not paid any honorarium but each of them may claim actual travelling expenses upto a maximum of Rs.100/- per mensem. A centre Khadi Officer and necessary staff have also been posted for each centre. They attend to the day-to-day administration in the centres under the instructions and guidance of the respective Honorary Regional Khadi Officers. The Provincial Textile Commissioner was until recently exercising the necessary financial and administrative supervision in respect of the entire Scheme. Now it has been transferred to the charge of the Provincial Firka Development Officer,(working in the Firka Development Department of the Government), who exercises the control previously exercised by the Provincial Textile Commissioner.

3. Areas selected for application, if applicable.

I. Tamil Nad area.

(1) Vellakkovil
(2) Avanashi
(3) Puliyankurichi

II. Andhra area.

(4) Kota-Uratla
(5) Guruvareddipalem.
(6) Erragondapalam.

III. West Coast.

(7) Payyanur cum Nileswhwar.

In addition to the above noted centres, the Madras city has been selected for the development of handspinning, and handweaving. The City Khadi Officer is in charge of the work and is assisted by a small staff.

4. Time expected to be taken for the execution.

The Scheme was commenced in November1946 and is progressin This is a progressive scheme intended to improve the economic conditions of all the areas in the Province. A specific time has not been fixed for the completion of the Scheme .

5. Estimated cost.	Gross Expenditure	Deduct receipts	Net Expenditure.
1947-48 Capital	---	--	---
Recurring	14,69,249	6,44,264	8,24,985
1948-49 Capital.	---	---	----
Recurring	14,04,500	6,28,000	7,76,500

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1949-50) The Scheme is worked from year to year. The expenditure
1950-51) to be incurred in 1949-50 will be estimated only at the
1951-52) end of 1948-49 similarly that of 1950-51 at the end of 1949-50 and so on.

6. Extent to which the Scheme will be productive.

Wholly unproductive (Vide Finance Memorandum No. 75513/ PWR/47-1, dated 7/1/48).

7. Whether the Scheme has been sanctioned.

Sanctioned in G.O.No. 4678, Development, dated 23/12/1946. Declared as a Post-war Development Scheme in G.O.Ms.No.32/F.D. dated 27-11-1947 .

8. If not sanctioned whether the Scheme may be omitted or postponed to the next quinquennium.

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9. If sanctioned the date of commencement of the Scheme and the present stage.

Vide paragraphs 1 and 4 above.

10. Whether the Scheme can be brought under any of the main Schemes included in the printed Five year Plan.

This can be brought under "Food-Rural Reconstruction Scheme" (Vide Government of India letter No.347/Rc-Madras dated 16/7/'47- Item 67 on list I)

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Firka Development Department.

To A.S.

Please see Development (P &D) u.o note on page 1-2 ante and the enclosure thereto on page 3 ante. A rough draft of the particulars required in the skeleton form on page 3 ante is put up below for approval (copies of the u.o note on page 1-2 above and the enclosure thereto on page 3 above have been given to F.D.II and F.D VII sections for separate action. After they are approved, a consolidated reply may be sent to Development).

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To A.S.

Please see Development (P & D) U.O.Note on page 1-2 above and the enclosure thereto on page 3 above. This Department are concerned with intensive rural reconstruction scheme in selected firkas and centres. The scheme is composed of 3 main parts namely,

1) General schemes of rural reconstruction in selected firkas and centres;

2) Cottage Industries Schemes in25 selected firkas; and

3) Khadi uplift in 7 selected centres under the intensive Khadi scheme.

Schemes Nos. 2 and 3 are to be tried in some of the areas selected for launching scheme No.1 above. As combined into a single note expressive of the main plant underlying the 3 schem However they fall under the main heading Intensive Rural Reconstru tion and as such they may be shown as different schemes under the same heading.

The Schemes were included in the programme as approved schemes eligible for financial assistanct from the Government of India for 47-48 . They are already under execution.

The skeleton form enclosed to the U.O.Note has been filled up separately with reference to each of these 3 schemes. For orders whether copies of the same together with a copy of thi note may be sent to Development (P & D) with reference to the extract of notes from Development files on page 1-2 above.

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26-7-1948.

To.A.S.

Submitted that no further action is called for in this file . For orders whether the papers may be recorded as G.O.Ms.

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